

LOCAL NEWS.

CITY COUNCIL.—A regular semi-monthly meeting of the City Council was held last night.

Board of Aldermen.—On the bill to borrow money for the purpose of improving the streets.

Dr. Johnson said that he had devised a better plan than the one proposed in the bill, and would prefer it to the one on the table. The new plan was a specific tax of 124 per cent.

Col. French suggested that as the matter was not before the Board, and as business was pressing, would it not be well to postpone this matter?

Dr. Johnson said he for himself never interrupted a member. He would sit here all night and listen to their talk, or if he did not like it, he would get his hat and cane and go home. His plan was a specific tax of 124 per cent. of property. He knew before he offered the resolution that the member (Col. French) was uniformly to it.

The bill, on motion of Dr. Johnson, was laid on the table.

On the petition to reduce the assessment on the old railway property.

Col. French reiterated his oft repeated conviction that this going back to remit assessments was all wrong. The finances of the city were based on calculations made on the basis of these assessments, and any reduction should have been made when the assessment was made.

The report of the committee reducing the assessment, was, after further debate, rejected.

Col. French offered a resolution that the street scrapings be deposited in the fillings being made on north Royal and Prince streets, being worth more to the city thus used than if sold as manure.

Dr. Johnson opposed the resolution on the ground of the decomposing character of these scrapings, they not being fit for such fillings.

Col. French would not have made the motion if he did not know the character of the scrapings. The idea was only to use such scrapings as are convenient and useful. The resolution was offered at the suggestion of citizens who lived in that neighborhood. He thought we could trust the Superintendent of Police, who would not do anything objectionable there.

The resolution was, after further debate, adopted.

Col. French offered another resolution to fill up a dead Pitt street, and place a truck across Oronoko street, in order to perfect the drainage of that part of the city. He thought this the only way of effecting the object desired. This object, so far, had not been accomplished by the work done on any estimate had been made of the cost of this work.

Col. French thought \$200 would suffice.

Dr. Johnson said to do this work we would have to count by thousands; hundreds would not suffice. A truck would not suffice; a regular track would be a work of supererogation; the only thing that would be of use.

Col. French would not have risen in the presence of such an audience and in the company of intelligent gentlemen and made such a statement as he had made unless he had understood the matter. He lived within two squares of the spot, and had examined it carefully, and made his statement advisedly. His plan was only a temporary measure to get rid of this accumulating water.

Mr. Simpson (from Corcoran in the chair) said that what was to be done should be done speedily. As this water stood now, turned in on private property, the city would be liable to damages. He thought that Dr. J. had been denouncing it in a way rather than in fact, and no such costs as he stated would result. He proceeded to show the bad condition of affairs there in consequence of this overflow of water on private property, and when warm weather comes the nuisance would be a very grave one. The citizens would get their money, he supposed, and get their work not finished, and flooded the lower part of the town. He hoped the resolution would pass.

Dr. Johnson said his business called him over these streets a dozen times a day, and he was perfectly familiar with all this ground. He said that this work could be done for any sum of money that was offered.

Col. French said that the dirt is not there with much to fill up Pitt street. The water went down where it always did, and no property was flooded now that was not flooded before. He defended the contractors and their work.

Mr. Simpson said that the plea of the contractors was that there was not dirt enough to fill up the place. It was their business to furnish dirt, if it was not at hand, from a distance. The job as left by them was the most complete abortion he had ever seen. He hoped that the Superintendent of Police would be allowed to do this work, and he was sure it would be a success.

Col. French said this was a remarkable discussion. A proposition to do work without any expenditure of money, and it is opposed. He would rather have the opinion of the Superintendent of Police on this subject than that of half a dozen educated engineers. Let this officer use his discretion here and do what is needed, and he was sure it would not cost more than what had been estimated by him.

Dr. Johnson went over the ground of his previous remarks, reiterating his opinion that the work could not be done for the money.

After further debate, the resolution was adopted.

The bill for repairs to Hydraulics Engine House was read.

Dr. Johnson said this was a most extraordinary proceeding. Who was responsible for these things? The Fire Wardens had ordered this expenditure and now refused to pay it, although they had heretofore not hesitated to sign bills to the amount of thousands of dollars, and now the matter takes this circuitous route and comes here. This irresponsible expenditure was all wrong and should be stopped. Here we were borrowing money a 12 per cent., and allowing any one who chose to spend it.

The bill was referred.

The bill to fix the tax on the Commercial Exchange building at \$200, and request the Assessor to assess it at the same rate for the year 75, was amended by striking out the last clause, and after some debate, was adopted.

Dr. Johnson offered a resolution on the subject of the steam fire engines of the city. On this motion it was laid on the table and ordered to be printed, and at the next meeting he said he proposed to discuss its merits.

Col. French said that as the report of the Fire Wardens, adopted at the last meeting had contained a good deal of discussion and censure, he moved that a special committee be appointed to examine that report. He did this in justice to the gentlemen composing that board.

The petition of E. S. Jaffray, for reduction of assessment was opposed by

Col. French, who reiterated his objection on the ground that these assessments are based on the financial resources of the city.

Judge Underwood said that it seemed to him that there had been a mistake of the assessors; the owners say he is willing to sell the property for \$600.

The report was concurred in and the reduction ordered.

The resolution of Col. French, ordering an examination of the report of the Fire Wardens, being read.

Dr. Johnson said this was the most rational set that had been instituted since the organization of that Board. The Fire Wardens were a most excellent set of gentlemen, high-toned, and business men, who had the respect of the community, and were honest, gentlemen whose word deserved to be taken anywhere and for anything. But this was not the thing. These gentlemen say he had been after them. This was not so. He had their in-

terests and that of the community in which they lived, at heart. He had to say strong things, but nothing personal to them was intended. It was wrong to allow four men, however honest, to spend the money of the city without check or hindrance; to appropriate and pay out the city's money as they choose. It was a bad example. If the Fire Wardens were angels it would be wrong to allow it, for some day these angels might give place to devils. Every cent should be spent by order of Council. We should take these expenditures into our hands and guard our interests.

The Board then, at 10 o'clock, adjourned.

Common Council.—A bare quorum of the Common Council was present at the opening last night, but the benches outside the bar were well filled. A few members afterwards came in, but the benches outside the bar were gradually vacated until one single spectator remained.

The Committee on Claims made a report on the application of the Commercial Exchange Company, to the effect that the tax on the Exchange building ought to be reduced to \$200, and the assessment to \$10,000.

The Committee on Streets made the following report with regard to the cow stable of Stephen Swain:

Your committee, to whom was referred a petition of several property owners, in regard to the stable of Mr. Stephen Swain, on Fairfax street, beg leave to report that they have examined the premises, and find the same used as a cow stable very unpleasant to the neighbors, and requested Mr. Swain to have the same removed.

Chairman Committee on Streets.

Mr. Rock introduced a resolution requiring the owner of the stable to remove the stable within fifteen days. Mr. R. said there was success in the family at the stable; it is expected that Mr. Swain's cow would die tonight.

Mr. Pinn doubted the right to remove if Council had granted the right to place the structure there.

Mr. Porter said Mr. Swain said his cow was going to die to-night and he would remove the house.

Resolutions looking to the collection of all waste ashes placed in boxes at the edge of the sidewalk, and their use by the Superintendent of Police in grading streets, were passed.

A resolution for grading King street below Fairfax, with reference to the street railroad, and at its expense, was introduced.

Mr. Hopkins offered an amendment that grade should cause no expense to property holders.

Mr. Shinn did not see why, if the street needed grading, the interest of one or two property holders should stand in the way of an improvement beneficial to the whole community.

Mr. Hopkins thought there was much property on King street, below Fairfax, which did not pay now, and which it would be unfair to tax more than it is now taxed.

Mr. Shinn did not see why the railroad company should be made to pay for the one or two door steps that the change in grade might render necessary.

Mr. Hopkins called attention to the fact that King street could not be changed without changing Water street also.

Mr. Evans thought that this matter should be proceeded with cautiously. To re-grade King street would require the grading of Water, Fairfax and Royal streets. No proper action could be taken until Council knew from Mr. Bythe, the engineer of the road, what changes of grade were proposed.

The subject was laid over until next meeting.

A bill from the finance committee exempting new manufactures from taxation; also Mr. Wheat's mill and Mr. Worthington's machinery therein, coming up.

Mr. Henderson opposed the bill, saying that he did not see why one class of manufacturers should be taxed and another go free. Why free Mr. Worthington's flour factory from taxation and Mr. Porter's beer factory. Let the act embrace all or none.

A resolution from the Aldermen directing the Superintendent of Police to grade Pitt street to Oronoko, and to place a truck therein across Oronoko street, coming up.

Mr. Shinn (leaving the chair) read a resolution passed in October last directing the Committee on Streets to contract for grading Pitt street to Oronoko, the cost not to exceed \$800. He said I would like to ask the chairman of the Committee on Streets if such contract was made.

Mr. Partner explained that in contracting for the work the committee were governed by an estimate of the engineer, who thought that the earth removed from the height would be sufficient to fill up the ravine. The contractor removed all this earth, but it proved insufficient.

Mr. Shinn—After the \$800 is gone here comes a resolution to do the work at the expense of the corporation, an expense which will be at least \$1,500, and may reach \$2,000. It was, he thought, the most monstrous, the most infamous imposition that has ever been practiced upon the citizens of Alexandria. In less than two years every ounce of this dirt would be washed away. There was no method left but to make this expenditure now called for to prevent the utter ruin of what had been already expended.

Mr. Hopkins said this was but a confirmation of his remark at the time the resolution was pending, that it would cost not \$800 but \$2,500 to do this work. The committee were instructed to contract for the whole work, not to exceed \$800. Some sort of contract was made. But it seems that the contractor has not done it, and yet he has got all the money.

Mr. Beach said that he felt an interest in the resolution as its mover, and was surprised at the extreme tone of animadversion used by Mr. Shinn when he spoke of "an infamous imposition." He would like Mr. S. to say upon whom rested the burden of his remarks. Certainly he, himself, had introduced the resolution in the most good faith, relying upon the statements of members that the work could be done for \$800.

Mr. Shinn did not propose to retract a word he had said. But he would now add to it, if possible, and he again said that a most monstrous imposition, not to say swindle, had been perpetrated on the city. If the gentleman (Mr. Beach) had recollected his own resolution he would see that the remarks did not apply to him. In introducing the resolution, he had doubtless acted upon the information furnished him, but he called upon gentlemen to be more careful in the statements made to Council.

Mr. Pinn supposed that Mr. Beach was honest in introducing the resolution, but it seems that after the Committee on Streets, under a resolution that a contract be made for grading Pitt street to Oronoko, the last not to exceed \$800, the street had not been graded and yet the \$800 had been paid. He would like to know of the chairman why the money had been paid when the work was not done.

Mr. Porter—The work was done, but the dirt moved was not sufficient to fill up the street and the rain washed it away. If the rain had washed none, then, with the side walk earth, there would probably have been enough for the work.

Mr. Evans explained that after the work was done, and the contract completed, the rain done, and the earth away, but it was manifestly the fault of the engineer who allowed the earth to be put down without providing means for carrying off the water. Adjourned.

The Immortal J. N. is in Columbia, S. C., having just arrived there from the interior, where he has been "relieving the pressure," and "lifting the veil," which overshadowed those benighted regions.

THE CANAL.—We learn from the Cumberland News that business on the canal has not yet commenced, and there is no saying now when it will be inaugurated. A prominent canal man, who is understood to have spoken for the coal companies has stated to a large number of boatmen that the coal companies were willing to give the prices for boating at which they commenced the season of 1872, viz: \$1.40 to Georgetown and \$1.45 to Alexandria, being five cents more than was to be paid this Spring and five cents less than demanded by the boatmen for this season. The boatmen have held a meeting at which the proposition was fully discussed and finally rejected by a vote of 64 to 30. It is said that if business is not resumed in a day or two, boatmen living along the line of the canal will go home with their boats. Two boats cleared from Cumberland Monday for Williamsport—the "Grason and Paupie," with one hundred and nine tons of coal, and the "Lady of the Lake," with one hundred and four tons.

There is a regular "coal famine" existing here and unless some arrangement is soon made the trade of the season will be very much interfered with, besides the great inconvenience to which manufacturers and others will be put, not only here, but in the District cities. Of Mr. W. A. Smoot's boat load of Cumberland coal secures a ton is left, and one of the leading coal agencies will have to borrow coal for its office fire.

ROBBERY.—It was mentioned in yesterday's Gazette that Messrs. Thomas of Fairfax and Rixey of Fauquier had been robbed at the Exchange Hotel in Richmond. The papers of that city give the following particulars:—Between the hours of one and three o'clock Sunday morning the rooms of Senators Henry W. Thomas, of Fairfax, and Benjamin E. Rixey, of Fauquier, at the Exchange Hotel, were entered and the clothes of both rifled. Senator Thomas lost about \$65 in money which was contained in his pocket book left in his coat pocket. His watch was lying upon the bureau, and escaped the thief's hand. Senator Rixey, who occupied an adjoining room, was robbed of about \$17 in greenbacks and a watch and chain that were valued at \$175, but cost a good deal more. Mr. Rixey had in his pocket-book a number of bonds to the value of several thousand dollars, but the rogue threw back the book, with these in it, as he left the room. Senator Rixey's room door was probably left unlocked, but Senator Thomas' was carefully locked and the key turned on the inside. It was opened with a pair of nippers made to grasp and turn the key. The detectives have the matter in hand.

A SWINDLER.—On yesterday Samuel Trunnell, a man well known in this vicinity, called upon Mr. Wyman, the butcher, and represented to him that he was a chairmaker and would repair chairs at a low rate. Wyman gave him a rocking-chair to mend, whereupon Trunnell proceeded at once to a corner store and sold the chair for a hickory shirt and seventy-five cents in cash. Mr. Wyman, obtaining intelligence of the transaction, had Trunnell arrested and he was lodged in the station house yesterday afternoon. This morning he was tried before Judge May and sent to the jail for chain gang work for thirty days. Trunnell is a well-known habitué of prisons. It was he who a few years ago brought up to town a woman and children whom he had persuaded to sell their land in Prince William county and entrust the proceeds to him. He left them in a lumber yard, here totally unprovided for and went off to Washington with the money. His favorite role is getting good on some pretence and selling them.

POLICE HEADQUARTERS.—Geo. Stewart, for disorderly conduct was before the acting Mayor this morning and discharged for want of evidence.

Two young men for shooting in the street, were arrested, and the one who fired the pistol was fined.

Samuel Trunnell, for obtaining a chair under false pretences, and selling it was sent to the chain-gang for thirty days and the owner of the chair took it back, returning the purchaser one half of the money he had given Trunnell for it. The police report last night quiet with but a single brawler at the station house.

TEMPERANCE MOVES.—A meeting of the committees of the temperance organizations of this city and of the Young Men's Christian Association, was held last night in the lecture room of the M. E. Church. I. C. O'Neal in the chair, and H. W. Beadle Secretary. A petition was adopted praying the Judge of the Corporation Court, not to grant licenses for the sale of liquor in restaurants and ordinaries without the consent of the persons residing in the neighborhood. It was further agreed to hold a public meeting on Tuesday night the 8th proximo. The meeting then adjourned until Tuesday night next.

EXHUMED.—The body of the drowned man supposed to be that of John Tooner, found in the Potomac some days ago and interred at the Catholic Cemetery (it being presumed that he was of that denomination by the religious articles found on the body) was disinterred yesterday in the presence of the father of Geo. A. Baton, of Prince George's county, Md., it being believed that it was the body of Baton who has been missing from his home for three months. It was not recognized as the body of Baton, although the articles found with the body were such as Baton carried away from home.

FEEL SHORT.—The Petersburg Appeal says: "The schooner Commerce, Poplar master, arrived at this port on the 26th instant, from Alexandria, with wheat. After discharging the cargo it was found to fall short sixty-four bushels, and the consignees compelled him to deduct the deficit. There are many means by which this deficiency might occur, and we must trust that Captain Poplar will at least be able to arrange this affair with the shippers in such a manner that he will not lose anything."

COURT OF APPEALS.—The Judges of the Court of Appeals were engaged in conference on Monday preparatory to rendering a number of decisions. Yesterday the case of Underwood vs. McVeigh was further argued by James Albert Jones, esq., for McVeigh, who would have concluded the case but for the sickness of Judge Bouldin. He will conclude to-day. The court expects to resume the regular call of the docket on Thursday morning.

LOCAL POLITICS.—The current of local politics is now setting towards its flood. A number of small slates for council are made up, but the lists thereon are by no means indelible and are liable to be changed by circumstances. Several eminent and excellent gentlemen have already been offered as candidates for the conservative nomination and the pre-convention campaign will probably be started by the address of one of the candidates to-night.

PITT STREET DRAINAGE.—The Superintendent of Police has been occupied for one or two days in endeavoring to so arrange the passage of the vast mass of water which comes down Pitt street during a heavy rain that as little wash as possible may occur, but it is a most troublesome job.

FOR EUROPE.—Attention is directed to the advertisement of Messrs. Hoare & Johnston, agents of the "Human Line" of ocean steamers. To those who contemplate going to Europe no more agreeable passage across the Atlantic can be made than in the Human steamers.

WALL'S OPERA HOUSE.—"Maritana" was sung with much effect last night, by the English Opera Company, at Ford's Opera House in Washington, several encores being given. Plotow's charming opera of "Martha," with all the favorites in the cast, is announced for tonight.

THE FISHERIES.—Signs of the coming shoals of herring and shad are now evident in the lower waters of the Potomac. A small load, 905 herring, arrived last night and 650 this morning and sold at \$21 per thousand. A few bunches of rock also came up.

THE CONDEMNED MAN.—Manley, who is to be hung on Friday, is now very quiet, and receives frequent calls from colored ministers and from a committee of the Young Men's Christian Association.

THE BERGER FAMILY. Swiss Band Ringers with their Ladies brass band, propose giving one of their delightful entertainments in this city on the 7th proximo.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Thirty-five members of the Masonic Choir of Washington went to Warrenton on Monday and gave an entertainment for the benefit of the Lodge of that place realizing a very handsome sum and giving a concert that delighted the very large audience present.

Our dry goods merchants are now receiving large supplies of spring goods and their assortments are very attractive. They have been bought at the lowest prices and will be sold on the cheapest terms. See their advertisements in our columns.

The Board of Supervisors of Fairfax county is to meet on Monday the 7th of April, to consider the recent act of the Legislature relating to the re-assessment of lands in the county.

The rough coating of plastering on the new Court House at the market are completed. Workmen are now laying the iron floor of the vaults for the safe keeping of records.

Two barks, the Chapman and Ihana, from Liverpool, with salt for Messrs. Hoare & Johnston of this place, are reported in Hampton Roads.

The stockholders of the Old Dominion cheese and butter factory, met in Hamilton on Saturday March 15, and adopted rules and regulations for the government of the company.

There were some fine fresh fish in market this morning. Perch were selling at 40 cents per bunch.

Mint is showing itself above ground—suggestive, in Virginia, of leopards; and, indeed, these are already "exhibited."

Mr. Hugh Latham will address the citizens, tonight, at the Assembly Room, corner of King and Royal streets.

The disagreeable rainy weather—with wind from northeast—continued last night and this morning.

Shad are beginning to come up the Potomac, but so far comparatively few have been caught in the seine.

The Fire Wardens did not meet last night, but will hold a meeting to-night.

Gen. Jas. G. Field, of Culpeper, was in this city to-day.

We have had rain, snow and hail to-day.

Public Meeting at the Assembly Rooms. (Over D. F. Winner Co's. store.) I respectfully invite the Conservative voters of the city to assemble at the above named place on Wednesday evening next, the 26th instant, at 8 o'clock. I intend to present my claims to their suffrage for the position of Mayor of the city. In support of those claims I will speak of my course before the war, when the war was commencing, during the war and since the war. I will convince any number of the unprejudiced of my fitness to be Mayor of this city. The voters generally are invited.

A World of Thanks is Due To the botanists who first discovered the virtues of the Quilaya Saponaria, or Soap Tree of Chili. The wonderful cleansing and purifying property of its Bark gives to the fragrant SOZODONT much of its unrivalled efficacy as a preservative of the teeth.

Spring Clothing!
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We have just returned from New York with a beautiful stock of all the NEW STYLES OF SPRING CLOTHING.

In great variety. Call early at I. SCHWARTZ & CO'S., Sarcopla Clothing Hall, No. 89 King street.

ATTENTION! WALL'S NEW OPERA HOUSE, Washington, D. C. JOHN T. FORD, Proprietor and Manager

Great success of the GRAND ENGLISH OPERA. S. BEIRENS, Managing Directors. WM. W. SEGUIN, Musical Director. THIS (WEDNESDAY) EVENING, March 26, Plotow's charming Opera, "MARTHA."

With the following favorite artists: Miss Emma Howson, Mrs. Zelda Seguin, Mr. Bowdoin Bowler, Mr. Edward Seguin, Mr. Gustavus Hall, Mr. Bartleman, Full Chorus and Orchestra. Musical Director S. Beirens.

Thursday, BOHEMIAN GIRL. FRIDAY, Benefit of Mrs. ZELDA SEGUIN, upon which occasion will be presented Verdi's tragic opera.

IL TROVATORE. SATURDAY, GRAND GALA MATINEE. Saturday evening, grand farewell performance. Seats reserved, \$1.50 and \$1. Admission 75c, for sale at Ellis' music store and at the Opera House.

Doors open at 8; commences at 8. Trains leave the St. Asaph street depot at 6.55 p. m., returning, leave Washington at 11.38 p. m.

NOTICE.—A meeting of the stockholders of the ALEXANDRIA, MT. VERNON and ACOTKIN TURNPIKE CO. will be held on seventh day, (SATURDAY) the 26th of April, 1875, at 12 o'clock noon, at the office of George Johnson, old Library Building, in Alexandria. A full attendance is requested, as business of importance is expected to come before them.

SALT! **SALT!** **SALT!** To arrive and in store FOUR HUNDRED SACKS MARSHALL and VERDIN'S FINE SALT. Sold at market price by W. A. SMOOT, Smoot's wharf.

NOTICE. I will pay off claims against the late N. CARROLL MARION. Persons having such claims will please send me statements, properly authenticated, at once. J. W. M. FOSTER, Adm'r. w. w. c. M. Mason, Leesburg, Virginia.

TRUCKS' ISLAND SALE. FIVE THOUSAND BUSHELS T. I. SALT, to arrive per schooner H. Meekins, for sale at market rates by HOARE & JOHNSTON.

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.]

Railroad Accident.

RICHMOND, VA., March 26.—At about half-past five o'clock this morning while the passenger train from Wilmington and Weldon was near Rocky Mount Va., a broken rail threw the first and second class cars from the track, down an embankment from eighteen to twenty feet, the cars at the same time catching fire from the stoves, and burning and otherwise injuring many of the passengers. The engine, baggage and mail cars passed over the tressel work safely, but the ladies car upon reaching the tressel broke through throwing one end of the car in the creek and stopping the train.

Only two persons were seriously injured and about twelve or fourteen slightly hurt. Amongst the slightly injured is Geo. C. Coyle, of the U. S. signal service. The train was delayed about two hours, the passengers walking across the wreck and coming on in the baggage and mail cars.

The Cuban Insurgents.

NEW YORK, March 26.—Antonio Zambrana, a member of the Cuban Congress, has arrived here and reports the insurgents as having an abundance of arms and in good spirits. They are making steady progress in the eastern department and will very soon compel the Spaniards to wholly withdraw from that department. Zambrana secretly left the island in an open boat.

Murdered—Burned to Death.

NEW YORK, March 26.—Bridget McShenan, found dead in a tenement house Friday night on Seaman street, proves to have been murdered by another woman named McNamee in a brutal drunken brawl by the latter fracturing the former's skull with a bottle.

A child was burned to death in the same tenement house on the same night.

George Francis Train.

NEW YORK, March 26.—It has not been definitely decided to send Train to an asylum. He said yesterday that he should quietly submit if the outrage was attempted, trusting to the people to right the wrong. He added, "let them do their worst, George Francis Train will still live."

Bank of England Rate.

LONDON, March 26.—11 a. m.—An upward movement in the rate of discount of the Bank of England is imminent.

LONDON, March 26.—1:30 p. m.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England has advanced 2 and is now four per cent. American securities quiet.

The Goodrich Murder.

NEW YORK, March 26.—It appears that one of the women said to be implicated in the Goodrich murder, has been to the Chief of Police of Brooklyn and proved herself to be a respectable working woman, who did some work for the murdered man. The mystery relative to the other woman is still unsolved.

Effects of Poverty.

NEW YORK, March 26.—Julius Endle and wife of Jamaica, L. I. owing to their utter poverty, opened veins in each others legs and arms yesterday preferring death to starvation. Physicians succeeded in staying the flow of blood, but both will probably die.

The Snyder Murder.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., March 26.—The jury in the Snyder murder case have rendered a verdict that he came to his death by an effusion of blood on the brain, caused by injuries received at the hands of a person or persons unknown.

The Weather.

NEW YORK, March 26.—The weather is rainy and sleety and the streets are shockingly slippery. Many accidents have occurred to people from falling.

Sale of a Steamer.

NEW YORK, March 26.—The steamship Crescent City, of the Atlantic Steamship Company, was sold yesterday at auction for \$60,000.

Weather Report.

WAR DEPARTMENT, OFFICE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, WASHINGTON, March 26, 11 a. m.

Probabilities.—The storm centre on the lower Lakes move down the St. Lawrence valley, and the smaller disturbances on the Middle Atlantic coast move to Cape Cod during the rest of Wednesday. Increasing northwest winds with rain and snow continue over New England. For the Middle States winds very generally change to west and northwest by Wednesday afternoon with falling temperature and with snow in New York, but with cloudy or clearing weather in Pennsylvania and Virginia. Fresh and brisk westerly winds with clearing weather prevail in the South Atlantic States and northern winds with clear weather extend over the Gulf States to South Carolina. Rising barometric winds from the north and clear weather with falling temperature over the Ohio valley and the upper Lakes. Falling barometer and southerly winds extend over Dakota by Wednesday night.